MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : ഗ്രാഡ്വേറ്റ്സിനും അണ്ടർ ഗ്രാഡ്വേറ്റ്സിനും അക്കൌണ്ടാഫീസിൽ ഒരേ ജോലിയാണെന്നു പറയുന്നു. എന്നാൽ ശമ്പളക്കൂടുതൽ കൊടുത്തു ബി. എ. ക്കാരെ നിയമിക്കേണ്ട ആവശ്യമെന്താണ് ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI : The appointment of graduates does not involve any additional expenditure. There is a schedule of scales of pay sanctioned for every department and the appointments, whether it be of a graduate or an undergraduate, will only be in accordance with the sanctioned scale.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN (*Vaikom cum Kottayam*) : ഇപ്പോൾ ബി. എ. ക്കാരായി അക്കൌണ്ടാഫീസിൽ എത്രപേരുണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI : I am not in possession of those figures.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN : അവരുടെ കാസ്റ്റ്വാർ സ്റ്റേറ്റുമെൻറ് എങ്ങിനെ എന്നു പറയാമോ ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI : The caste war statement is not at present available. I shall prepare it if the member asks for it next time.

Admission to the tunnel area at Pallivasal.

110. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether persons are freely admitted to the tunnel area and the area adjacent to it, of the Pallivasal Hydro-electric Scheme ;

(*b*) whether gates or guards have been provided for preventing the entry of any one ; and

(*c*) whether any one of the visitors to the tunnel during Medom 1114, fell into the well of the tunnel and died ?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes. One died.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM : With reference to part (*c*) may I know how the person died ?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : One man who was employed as contractor in the tunnel work for some time happened to go up to the surge chamber. He went there without any light. Unfortunately he shipped and fell down the surge shaft. It is over 50 ft. deep. As soon as the accident happened he was removed to the Hospital. He succumbed in the end.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI : May I know whether there is any provision for keeping out the visitors from visiting that area ?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : Visitors are not allowed to enter the tunnel area.

PRESIDENT : Has any step been taken afterwards to prevent people from entering the tunnel area ?

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MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: Yes, Sir.

PRESIDENT: What is that?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: There is a guard provided to see that no visitors get in there. A gate is also being put up.

Recruitment of Ezhavas to the Magistracy.

111. ❋**MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the date on which the last Ezhava was recruited to the Magistracy;

(*b*) the office from which he was so recruited and

(*c*) the date on which the last Ezhava was recruited to the Magistracy from the Secretariat?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 5-8-1110.

(*b*) Divisional Treasury, Trivandrum.

(*c*) 25-11-1105.

MR. K. MADHAVAN: May I know the number of vacancies in the Magistracy that arose in 1110?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: I claim notice.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: സിക്കുട്ടേറിയറ്റിൽ ക ക ഠ മുതൽ ക ക ക ര് വരെയുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങൾ എപ്രകാരമാണെന്നു പറയുവാൻ മഹനീയ മുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: I claim notice.

Drowning tragedy in the Vembanad lake.

112 ❋**MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a drowning tragedy took place in the Vembanad lake on 22-9-1114; and

(*b*) whether any enquiry has been made into the incident and if so the result thereof?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. Crime No. 82/14 was registered in Shertalai Station and investigation has proved that it was purely an accident.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know the number of persons that were in the boat?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM: 23.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI: How many men were there in the boat?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM: There were 18 adults, 1 child and 4 crew.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know the number that actually died?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S ABDUL KARIM: The information is that two actually died.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): What was the circumstance under which the boat was drowned?

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